BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 96-249-C - ORDER NO. 2000-699

AUGUST 24, 2000

IN RE: Request of BellSouth Public Communications,

ORDER **GRANTING**

Inc. for Waiver of Pay Telephone Service

Provider Guidelines.

WAIVER

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request filed by BellSouth Public Communications for waiver of our payphone guidelines to allow for the blocking of incoming calls at the pay telephone(s) located at Ashe Street Grocery, 63 Ashe Street, Charleston, South Carolina. The purpose of the request is to seek the safety and security of employees and patrons at the location. The request has been co-signed by the Charleston Police Department.

We have examined this matter, and hold that the request for waiver should be granted, since good cause was shown. Incoming calls may therefore be blocked on the pay telephone(s) in question.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Hary E. Wolsh
Executive Director

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